

**What is claimed is:**

1. An apparatus for protecting a door gasket of a refrigerator, comprising:  
a drawer body with a storage space capable of being put in and taken out from a  
5 main body of the refrigerator;  
a door which is connected to one side of the drawer body to be pivotable on an axis  
of rotation and of which a back surface comes into close contact with a front face of the  
main body of the refrigerator in a state where the drawer body is put in the main body of the  
refrigerator;  
10 a gasket provided between the periphery of the back surface of the door and the  
front face of the main body of the refrigerator; and  
a cushioning member disposed below the gasket to prevent contact of the gasket  
with the main body of the refrigerator when the door pivots on the axis of rotation.
- 15 2. The apparatus as claimed in claim 1, wherein the cushioning member is a roller.
3. The apparatus as claimed in claim 1, wherein the cushioning member is installed on  
the door.
- 20 4. The apparatus as claimed in claim 1, wherein the cushioning member is installed on  
the main body of the refrigerator.
5. The apparatus as claimed in claim 1, wherein the gasket is formed below the axis of  
rotation.
- 25 6. The apparatus as claimed in claim 1, wherein a plurality of cushioning members are  
installed below the gasket.